

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND**

**ERIC EICHEL, Individually and as
Personal Representative of the Estate
of Randi Eichel, et al.**

Plaintiffs

v.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Defendant

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CIVIL ACTION NO. MJG-02-4207

JOINT MOTION REQUESTING REFERRAL FOR MEDIATION

The parties, by and through undersigned counsel, hereby file their Motion Requesting Referral for Mediation, and in support thereof state the following:

1. This is a complex medical malpractice action involving numerous issues. Discovery in this matter has been completed.
2. The parties mutually consent to this matter being referred for mediation.
3. Due to the complex nature of the medical issues involved in this case, the parties request that this matter be referred to Magistrate Judge Grimm for mediation.

WHEREFORE, the parties respectfully request:

1. This matter be referred to Magistrate Judge Grimm for mediation; and
2. For such other relief as this Court deems just and fair.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 6th day of February, 2004, one copy of the foregoing Joint Motion Requesting Referral for Mediation was electronically filed this date and mailed, postage prepaid, to Tarra DeShields, Assistant United States Attorney, Office of the United States Attorney, 6625 United States Courthouse, 101 West Lombard Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21202.

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ORDER

Having read and considered the parties' Joint Motion Requesting Referral for Mediation and there appearing to be good cause, it is this _____ day of _____, 2004, hereby

ORDERED, that the parties' Joint Motion Requesting Referral for Mediation be and the same is hereby **GRANTED**; and it is further

ORDERED, that this matter be referred to Magistrate Judge Grimm for mediation.

Judge, United States District Court for
the District of Maryland